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LETTER ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE CONFERENCE ON DISARMAMENT BY THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF HUNGARY ON 6 MAY 1992

In connection with the "Declaration of the representatives of the people of the Republic of Serbia and the Republic of Montenegro" of 27 April 1992, Hungary - as outlined in a letter of May 6 1992 to the President of the General Assembly of the United Nations and the Secretary-General of the United Nations - is of the view that a unilateral statement of this nature does not by itself create a legal basis for the continuity of the membership of the defunct Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia in international bodies and organizations. In its view, the settlement of the question of continuity should be based upon the agreement of all successor states of the former Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia. Only such an agreement can form a basis for any decisions to be taken of the question of representation of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia in international fora, including the Conference on Disarmament. Hungary believes that any procedural arrangements that the Conference on Disarmament may follow in this regard in the interim period should in no way prejudge its position on the question of the status of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia in the Conference on Disarmament.

I should be grateful if you could arrange for this letter to be circulated as an official document of the Conference on Disarmament.

(Signed) *Tibor Tóth*
Ambassador

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LETTER ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE CONFERENCE ON DISARMAMENT BY THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF CANADA ON 13 MAY 1992

Canada has taken note of the Declaration by the representatives of the people of the Republic of Serbia and the Republic of Montenegro on 27 April 1992 announcing the creation of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia.

The Government of Canada wishes to place on record its view that the current participation of representatives of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia in all United Nations and other inter-related international bodies is without prejudice to the eventual determination of the status of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia. As you know, the Conference on Yugoslavia is currently addressing the issues of the continuity to and succession of the Yugoslav state.

This message has been transmitted to the Secretary-General of the United Nations with a request that it be circulated as a document of the General Assembly under Agenda Item 68, and of the Security Council. I would be grateful if this letter could be circulated as an official document of the Conference on Disarmament.

(Signed) Gerald E. Shannon
Ambassador and
Permanent Representative

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